# Powering the energy frontier

**CRSP MC** 

estern Area Power Administration, a federal power marketing administration, sells wholesale power and bulk wholesale transmission to local utilities who then provide the power to more than 40 million Americans. WAPA's Colorado River Storage Project Management Center employ-

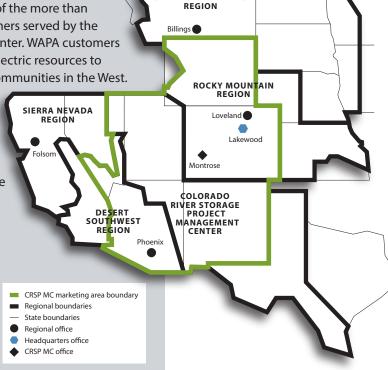


ees work around the clock to keep bulk power moving through the interconnected transmission system so that electricity ultimately reaches homes and businesses.

The Ak-Chin Indian

Community in Arizona; the city of Provo,
Utah; and Kirtland Air Force Base in New
Mexico are just a few of the more than
100 preference customers served by the
CRSP Management Center. WAPA customers
rely on federal hydroelectric resources to
competitively serve communities in the West.

Whether the need is lighting homes or providing power to local businesses, our goal is to provide customers with reliable hydropower.



**UPPER GREAT PLAINS** 

## **Delivering power**

At the Colorado River Storage Project Management Center, we serve preference customers in Arizona, Utah, Colorado, New Mexico, Nevada, Wyoming and Texas. We sell and deliver power generated from the hydroelectric powerplants of the Colorado River Storage, Collbran, Dolores, Rio Grande and Seedskadee projects. The power is bundled and sold as the Salt Lake City Area/Integrated Projects to cities and towns, rural electric cooperatives, Native American tribes, irrigation districts and federal and state agencies. We also sell power from the Olmsted, Provo River and Falcon-Amistad projects. These resources total about 1,900 megawatts of installed generating capacity and produce enough energy to power 1.2 million households.

To ensure delivery of these resources to our preference customers, we develop and direct marketing programs; develop, negotiate and administer contracts; set power rates; analyze hydroelectric power availability; participate in environmental protection measures; manage finances; and interact with customers in our seven-state marketing area.

## marketing area boundary Providing services

We are committed to serving customers on many different levels. We work together with our customers to provide new products and services tailored to their individual needs.

We are also committed to protecting the delicate balance of

the Colorado River. Agencies that manage this river's resources must weigh many interests, including flood control, drought mitigation, irrigation, recreation, endangered species and historic properties. Balancing these interests along with the needs of water and electrical energy customers is a chief concern.

We have been actively involved in ongoing environmental studies since the 1980s with a diverse group of stakeholders regarding operations at Glen Canyon Dam. These studies, along with similar studies at Flaming Gorge Dam and the Aspinall Units, represent WAPA's commitment to actively engaging with other interested parties in best managing the resources of the Colorado River and its tributaries. At the CRSP MC, we aim to engage in an open and productive dialogue among all interested stakeholders.

## **Facing the future**

We work at the forefront of technological advances and unprecedented changes within the electric utility industry. With many diverse players competing in the industry to buy and sell power, the CRSP MC strives to be a fiscally responsible, customer-oriented, highly efficient and innovative organization. We strive to be our customers' advocate by understanding their business and the latest industry developments. Our future depends on maintaining the strong bond we have with our customers and demonstrating the value of the services we provide.

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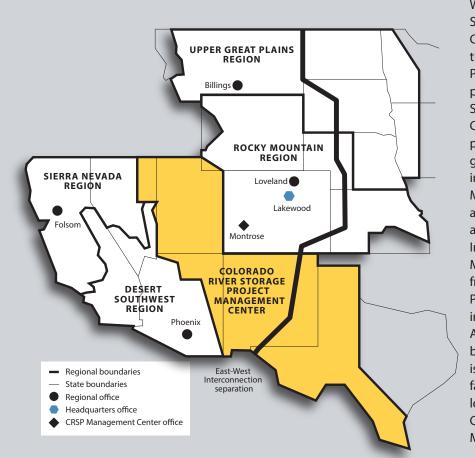
Colorado River Storage Project Management Center estern Area Power Administration was established in December 1977, under the Department of Energy Organization Act, to market and transmit federal hydroelectric power in 15 central and western states. We operate and maintain our more than 17,000 circuit-mile transmission system from four regional offices: Sierra Nevada in Folsom, California; Upper Great Plains in Billings, Montana; Desert Southwest in Phoenix, Arizona; and Rocky Mountain in Loveland, Colorado. We market power from these regions and the Colorado River Storage Project Management Center in Montrose, Colorado. Our Headquarters office is in Lakewood, Colorado.

Learn more about WAPA at wapa.gov

### **Our mission**

Safely provide reliable, cost-based hydropower and transmission to our customers and the communities we serve

## WAPA's service area



WAPA's Colorado River Storage Project Management Center markets power from the Colorado River Storage Project, its participating projects (Dolores and Seedskadee), and the Collbran and Rio Grande projects. These resources are generated by 11 powerplants in Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming and are marketed together as the Salt Lake City Area/ Integrated Projects. CRSP MC staff also markets power from four other powerplants: Provo River and Olmsted in Utah, and Falcon and Amistad on the Texas-Mexico border. Transmission service is provided by transmission facilities either owned or leased by WAPA in Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming.